ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF

WESTHAMPTON, MASS.,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING MARCH 1. 1882.

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SELECTMEN'S REPORT

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1882.

EXPENDITURES ON HIGHWAYS.

A. H. Bridgman, old bills,	\$4 01
T. W. Collier, old bills,	5 00
P. McCarty, old bills,	3 50
C. W. Niles, old bills,	1 50
F. A. Bridgman, old bills,	9 42
H. C. Williams, old bills,	5 95
Wm. Slattery, old bills,	17 50
C. C. Bartlett, old bills,	6 50
Wm. E. Lyman, old bills,	6 15
H. W. Montague, old bills,	6 28
M. L. Elwell, old bills,	3 25
A. Elwell, old bills,	5 10
A. Damon, old bills,	2 50
R. W. Clapp, old bills,	5 95
H. S. Rhodes, old bills,	8 00
John Watson, old bills,	7 50— \$98 11
D. S. Bridgman, Surveyor,	\$61 38
O. W. Bartlett, Surveyor,	37 43
H. Hathaway, Surveyor,	38 33
I. O. Shaw, Surveyor,	60 25
G. Burt,	24 75

H. S. King,	39 21		
G. Tower,	42 30		
J. Hathaway,	41 60		
L. L. Rhodes,	51 26		
E. P. Bartlett,	23 88		
M. H. Montague, Surveyor,	43 18		
Patrick Connors, Surveyor,	20 00		
H. W. Montague, Surveyor,	38 58— \$ 522 15		
EXPENSES ON BRID	OGES.		
A. G. Jewett,	16 40		
E. P. Torrey,	8 30		
M. H. Montague,	4 50		
C. H. Hooker,	36 56		
J. L. Mather,	208 56— \$274 32		
Total on Highways and Bridges,	\$894 58		
TAXES.			
State Tax,	240 00		
County Tax,	408 05		
Discount on taxes,	95 08		
Collecting taxes of 1880 and 1881,	56 53		
Abatement of taxes by Thayer fund, Abatement on taxes and school books	90 00		
by Assessors,	13 28		
"Street fund" distributed,	50 00— \$952 94		
FOR SUPPORT OF	POOR.		
Ezra French,	\$156 00		
F. Chilson,	168 27		
Doctor's bills for Chilson,	36 50		
W. J. Fish,	50 00		
P. J. Connery, State aid,	85 08- -\$ 495 85		
FOR SCHOOLS.			
By School committee,	\$1,057 69		

CONTINGENCIES.

Care of hall and library,	\$44	75		
Wood for hall and library,		25		
Oil, wicks, repairs, etc.,		57		
Grading hall lot,		00		
Grading, grubbing, etc. in cemetery,	59			
Driving and care of hearse and cemet				
Cloth for hearse,		50		
Paint and painting cemetery fence,		68		
Paint and oil for school houses,	•	00		
Insurances on school houses,		00		
Dr. Trow's bill for vaccination,		50		
T. C. Davenport's Estate, express, post	age etc., 6	1 2		
T. C. Davenport's Estate, Sealer's sala	-	00		
F. H. Judd, express, postage, statione		00		
A. G. Jewett, express, postage, station				
horse hire,	-	99		
F. H. Judd, recording births etc.,	7	10		
F. H. Judd, Clerk's meeting at Hatfie	eld, 3	00		
Auditing accounts,		75		
One half dog fund to library,	14	. 99		
For Printing Reports and Posters,	13	50		
Making up reports for two years,	7	00- \$	340	66
TOWN OFFICERS'	FEES.			
A. K. Chapman, Constable,	\$ 3	3 00		
F. H. Judd, Sealer,	5	00		
F. H. Judd, Clerk,	18	5 00		
N. A. Kingsley, Treasurer,	$2 \bar{\epsilon}$	5 00		
John Watson, Selectman,	10	00		
A. D. Rice, Selectman,	16	00		
A. G. Jewett,	38	3 00-\$	107	00

Amount of Disbursements,

\$3848 72

RESOURCES.

Balance from last year,
Amount of tax assessed,
Cash from other sources, (Treas' acct.,)

Balance March 1, 1882,

\$1525 77

2799 22

758 36—\$5083 35

\$1234 63

Respectfully submitted,

A. G. JEWETT, | Selectmen J. WATSON, of A. D. RICE, | Westhampton.

We have examined the accounts of the Selectmen and found them correct, with vouchers on file for orders drawn to the amount of three thousand eight hundred and forty eight dollars and seventy two cents.

WM. E. LYMAN, Auditors.

Westhampton, March 4, 1882.

TREASURER'S REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1882.

DR.				
To balance from last year,	\$1525	77		
Town of Southampton, School fund,	5	00		•
A. J. Fargo, use of Library,	30	00		
H. H. Chilson, Street fund,	50	00		
F. H. Judd, Interest on Thayer fund,	46	88		
Irene Clark, ""	12	00		
State Treas. corporation tax,		30		
State Treas. National Bank tax,	269	99		
State Treas., State aid,	39	21		
County Treas., Dog fund refunded,	29	98		
State Treas., School fund,	213	32		
Henry Hathaway for Town building,	5	00		
Interest on taxes, 1881,	13	07		
Lewis Janes, wood in cemetery,	25	00		
School Committee,	18	61		
	\$2284	13		
Amount of Assesments,	2799	22-	\$ 5083	35
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By paid orders of Selectmen,	\$3848	72		
Balance in Treasury,	1234	63—	\$ 5083	35

Respectfully submitted,

N. A. Kingsley, Treasurer.

I have examined the above account and find it correct, with vouchers for disbursements to the amount of three thousand eight hundred forty eight dollars and seventy two cents (\$3848,72) leaving a balance in the hands of the Treasurer of twelve hundred thirty four dollars and sixty three cents.

WM. E. LYMAN, Auditor.

REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1882.

Your Committee, in making their report, would say that our schools, as a whole, during the past year, have been successful to a marked degree, but not to the highest possible. And in order to secure this much needed result, it seems necessary to us that there exist more sympathy and co-operation, on the part of all parents, with the teachers and school officers in their work of educating the children, (which cannot be wholly thrown on the teacher, for the influence of the home enters largely into the children's character), and also in the matters of obedience, good morals, and last, but not least, in getting them to school, and keeping them there, every school day if possible, not letting them stay at home, or keeping them there, because of some dislike, or prejudice against the teacher or any one else. In so doing you not only do your own child a great wrong, but your example has a bad influence on other parents and children of longer duration and more powerful than you think. You might as well expect to reap a large harvest by sowing sparingly as to get a thorough education by attending school but a part of your school days, which are short with most people, at the longest.

Some absent and tardy marks are doubtless unavoidable,

but we are sorry to see so many as appear on some of the registers. This ought not to be so.

We think our teachers as a rule have tried to be faithful and to do their best, and great advancement in many cases is the grand result. This is highly commendable in both parties, and still there is room for greater attainments in all. We are glad to see that so many take interest enough in the education of children to lead—them to visit some of the schools at least once a year. We take this to be a hopeful sign.

The school house on the hill has been newly shingled and the South and Center both repainted. Perhaps it would be well to paint the North East house soon. We have had no school during the year because there were so few scholars, but there are some to provide for in the near future, so please bear this in mind when raising money for schools.

The "Clark Scholarship" prize for the best reader and speller in the Center school, amounting to \$8,46, was awarded to Miss Julia L. Jewett at the close of the last term.

On the first day of May last there were 126 children in town between the ages of 5 and 15 years; of these 10 attended the Loudville school; of the remaining 116 there have been 99 in attendance at our schools some time in the year.

In the following table fractions are discarded.

TERMS, WAGES AND ATTENDANCE.

Center,	SCHOOLS. Number of	Weeks.
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Susie Clapp, Nellie McCarty and George Smith have not been absent or tardy during the year.

FINANCIAL ACCOUNT.

RESOURCES.

Balancee from last year,	\$158	60	
Town's appropriation,	800	00	
State school fund,	213	32	
One half dog fund,	14	99	
Town for extra repairs,	100	00-\$1286	91

EXPENDITURES.

Loudville School,	\$118	17
Teachers Salaries,	638	00
Books, Crayons and Cards,	50	25
Common repairs,	29	25
Making fires,	• 6	00
Care and sale of books,	1	00
Fuel,	67	75
Extra repairs,	101	27
Committee's fees, Miss C. Burt,	10	00
Committee's fees, F. H. Judd,	6	00
Committee's fees, E. B. Pratt,	30	00
Balance,	229	22—\$1286 91
School books sold but not paid for,	\$28	48
Books on hand,	39	46
Due from Southampton,	7	50— \$75 44

To the item of extra repairs should be added fourteen dollars for oil and lead used, which belonged to the town, for which we gave no order, and it does not appear in our account and should reduce our balance so much.

The bill for Loudville school has not been presented.

TEACHERS.

Center School: MISS LAURA H. CLAPP, three terms.

South School: Spring term, Miss Nellie L. Clapp, Summer and Winter terms, Miss Myra E. Kingsley.

Hill School: Spring and Summer terms, Miss Addie S. Bridgman, Winter term, Mr. T. Watson Phelps.

North West: Spring term, Miss Carrie L. Thorp, Summer and Winter terms, Miss Nellie L. Clapp.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

E. B. PRATT,	term expires	March.	1882
F. H. Judd,	"	46	1883
MISS CAROLINE BURT,	ÇÇ	"	1884

Respectfully submitted,

E. B. PRATT,

For The Committee.

I have examined the above account and found it correct with vouchers for ten hundred fifty seven dollars and sixty nine cents (\$1057,69) leaving a balance in the hands of the Treasurer of \$229,22

WM. E. LYMAN, Auditor.





